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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention herein provides a method of treating water in situ to both sterilize the water and remove unwanted odors and tastes produced during sterilization. The water is preferably intended for drinking. The water is sterilized by a sterilizing treatment such as ozonation and the odors are removed by incorporating zeolite into the container cap, a capliner, or both. The invention also provides a container for packaging sterilized water for human consumption.